



# Silkstone Parish Roundup

*Issue 99 Autumn 2023*



*Photo provided by Brian Crossland LRPS'.*

*'Leader of the newly formed Photography Group of Bu3a' See page 28 for more info*

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### Chair's report - Autumn 2023

I hope you are all keeping well and have had good summer holiday break or a staycation despite the rain.

A lot of time has passed since Silkstone Common Summer Fayre and therefore I have not been as busy as I was.

One thing that I have noticed when going through the two villages is that the Village hanging baskets look amazing this year and give colour to both villages. Thank you to all those who sponsored the hanging baskets.

Silkstone Parish Council hold the "Warm Welcome" at the Husker rooms from 10.00 am until 12.00 pm every other Tuesday. Thanks to Alan and Julia Thompson and Richard Leech for setting this up and getting it off the ground. Initially it was to help get people together when the weather was cold and enable them to meet other people and being warm at the same time.

Both myself and another Parish Councillor Debra Smith also volunteer and help getting everything ready for people to come and enjoy themselves.

It has been a great success. At the last Warm Welcome we had approximately 15 people, the numbers vary each time due to individual's commitments and the weather. It is open to all age groups. People come for a natter with others, learn about some of the history of the villages with photographs of how the

villages used to be. Have a cup of tea, coffee and biscuits, (provided by the Parish Council).

Helen from Age Concern UK, comes to visit, talks to people and if needed, makes an appointment with individuals for her to visit them at their home, this ensures confidentiality. Helen is lovely and very helpful.

At the last Warm Welcome we had to move into the room where Maria Penrose dancers and other classes are held. It was too much of a challenge when someone asked *"who can get their legs up on the top bar"* A lady called Jill managed it and so did I. There was a picture taken but I haven't added it as I look like I'm chewing a wasp.

At the end of each Warm Welcome, a number of people help with washing up, putting away the tables and chairs. Everyone mucks in together, although it is appreciated that not everyone is able to assist.

We have had some really good feedback with people stating *"I don't get out very often, therefore it's great to come here and meet people and have a chat"* others *"I love coming here it's good to meet other people, everyone is friendly", "please don't stop having the Warm Welcome, we really enjoy it"*.

The dates for the Warm Welcome are given out on the Silkstone Parish Council website and in the Silkstone Community page on Facebook on a regular basis.

If you want to come along and have a good natter, meet new people and enjoy yourselves we look forward to seeing you at the next Warm Welcome.

***Lesley Gill***  
***Chair of the Parish Council***

### Editorial

Summer started so well, and sadly crashed! Never mind we will cross everything for an 'Indian Summer' – but what does this mean? The Met Office explain that the exact origins of the phrase are uncertain, several writers have speculated it may originally have referred to a spell of warm, hazy Autumn conditions that allowed Native American Indians to continue hunting. However, 'The term was first used in the UK in the early 19th century and went on to gain widespread usage. The concept of a warm autumn spell though was not new to the UK. Previously, variations of "Saint Martin's summer" were widely used across Europe to describe warm weather surrounding St Martin's Day (11 November)'.....the warmest recorded temperatures in the UK in October and November are 29.9 °C on 1 October 2011, in Gravesend, Kent, and 22.4 °C on 1 November 2015, at Trawsgoed, Ceredigion'. (Met Office)

So, yes that is what we want an 'Indian Summer' or a 'Saint Martin's Summer'. Everything crossed... again!

I hope you had a good Summer whether in this country or abroad.

In this Edition we have tried to capture 'what's on' in Barnsley and surrounding areas, for young and a little bit older! We hope you find it useful.

We have news about our Canon Keith, the CARE group sharing what they have been up to, and the History Silkstone group sharing more interesting historical facts about our Parish.

I have a real interest in how the villages have changed over the years. Having only lived here for 25 years, even I have seen many changes. I have shared some history about 'Church Terrace' in Silkstone, and would be really interested to hear from you, regarding your house, Hall or Farm and their histories.

I wish you all a lovely 'Indian Summer' or 'St Martin's Summer', and lots of hot chocolate!

All the best

***Sue Williams***  
***Editor***

## **Rhubarb cake**

### **Ingredients**

- 12 oz /340 gms of margarine
- 12 oz /340 gms sugar
- 12 oz /340 gms self raising flour
- 12 oz /340 gms rhubarb (raw) cut into small cubes
- 2 teaspoons ginger
- 1 tsp mixed spice
- 2 eggs



### **Method**

1. Put everything into the mixer.
2. Pour batter into a tray bake/ brownie tin
3. Bake for 50-55 minutes 160° fan oven (180° no fan)
4. Remove when skewer comes out clean

### **Option**

5. Add crystallised ginger if you want an extra dimension.

### **Notes**

Does not keep well but nice served warm as a pudding with custard or freeze half

***Alison Marsh***

## **Councillor Advertisement**



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Parish Council meets once a month (except August) usually on the first Monday of the month

Meetings normally last around 1-2 hours.

You must be 18 or over, an elector and have been a resident or worked within 3 miles of the Parish for the last year.

If you would like to be considered, please contact Richard Bell, RFO & Parish Clerk at [silkstoneparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:silkstoneparishcouncil@gmail.com)

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## James Harrop, Packhorseman, Carrier and Farmer.



In the early 1770s Thomas and Betty Harrop moved their family from Mottram in Longdendale to Silkstone. Thomas ran a successful business transporting goods between Barnsley and Manchester via the Woodhead Pass. Thomas Harrop also rented a very substantial farm near to Pontefract.

James Harrop was baptized in Silkstone in 1774 and at an early age was running his own packhorse train along the same route as his father before him. He made this regular journey for five years and famously described the condition of the roads as being “summat scandalous.”

The packhorse route from Manchester ran down from Penistone through to Silkstone passing down to Packhorse Farm which also served as an Inn. Packhorse farm lay at the T junction just below Packhorse Green.

In 1792 James married Elizabeth Waddington at Silkstone church and they

had several children the eldest being James junior who later moved to Glossop and established his own carrier business.

By the age of 21 James senior had set up as a carrier on his own account and was the first man to drive a stage wagon from Manchester to Doncaster. He also made two journeys from Barnsley to London losing three valuable horses on his second trip.

Life in the first two decades of the nineteenth century was very hard for ordinary working families. The Napoleonic wars had been very costly for the country then soldiers and sailors returning to their home towns and villages put a strain on local communities. The 1801 Enclosures Act took away the rights of villages to use common land for farming and grazing. The Corn Laws of 1815 made the cost of importing grain prohibitive. In times of poor harvests import duties made it too expensive to import grains from abroad. This pushed up the price of bread. In 1812 James Harrop had got into debt and was imprisoned in York Castle Debtors Prison. He later maintained that the charges against him were false.

Like Thomas, his father, James was literate and well educated. After reading an advertisement in The Leeds Mercury looking for 50,000 people to go out to the new Colony at the Cape of Good Hope James decided to apply. In August 1819 James wrote a letter on behalf of himself and eleven other Silkstone families applying to go out to the Cape Colony.



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He cited problems of making a livelihood, false imprisonment, bankruptcy and illness. James stated that; "I have been assisted by the Town (parish relief) but their hearts are as hard as the nether millstone." He also complained that those who have fallen on hard times are "looked on worse than dogs." James also maintained "I care not where I go there is the same supreme in all nations but it seems as if England was still likely to be worse for some time except something could be done to better the conditions of the working class in general."

The families involved held meetings at the Red Lion to plan their journey to the Cape Colony. In any event it appeared that there were so many hurdles to overcome that none of the families made it to the Cape.

James Harrop was also a farmer and it appears that at one time the family rented Sunny Bank Farm which still stands on Silkstone High Street at the end of Towngate. He also rented nearby fields for growing crops and stabling for his pack animals.

There was also a dark side to James Harrop and several times from 1800 onwards he found himself in Court accused of theft and getting into fights. In June 1830 he found himself in Hull, declared insane and removed to a Refuge in Sculcoates. This period of insanity didn't appear to last long as in August 1830 he was declared cured and returned to Silkstone.

Only one of James Harrop's sons remained in Silkstone. Thomas was a butcher and Innkeeper at The Six Ringers. He too got into debt to his spirit merchant then unable to pay his rent in 1867 Thomas was declared bankrupt.

In spite of the hard life James Harrop must have led, as a carrier and farmer, he lived until the age of 85 when he succumbed to a stroke and died on 17th November 1858 and was buried in Silkstone churchyard.

James Harrop was my four times great grandfather and if any reader believes that they are descended from the Harrop family I am happy to share my research with them.

*Jane Raistrick, Heritage Silkstone*

### **PLEASE DO NOT DUMP Old Pumpkin Lanterns in the woods - or anywhere else.**

Hedgehogs will eat them (hedgehogs have a sweet tooth!) but sadly they are meat-eaters and eating a lot of pumpkin upsets their digestion, causing diarrhoea, which can result in dehydration and death.

Pumpkins are fine for Birds, squirrels, foxes and badgers. If you leave them out in your garden, please make sure they are off the ground so a wandering hedgehog doesn't get to them. But best of all chop them up and put them on a compost heap.

*Linda Marsh*

### Insect of the issue

There are a staggering 27,000 types of insect in the UK. We are expecting a bumper year for insects this Autumn as summer has been wet and warm!

So the insect of the issue this time is the well known Daddy Long Legs. Daddy longlegs (*Tipula paludosa*) is the most common of the 300 types of UK crane-fly.



*Daddy Longs legs - from the Saxifraga foundation, photograph Ab Baas*

### Some facts

- Wingspan 20mm to 65mm
- Found throughout the U.K.
- Seen: June to October. Numbers of Crane-flies peak in September and there is frequently an abundance of them after a wet summer. Wet soil is probably easier for larvae to move through as they feed
- Found on garden lawns and fields with short grass. Often find their way into houses.
- Adults feed on Nectar. Larvae feed on grass roots.

### Recognising them

- they have long and ungainly legs, a long body and an erratic flight pattern
- they emerge as adults from lawns and grassland in late summer and mostly active at night
- they are not poisonous and cannot bite or sting

**Linda Marsh**



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## Our back yard – ‘Church Terrace’ High Street, Silkstone: built 1872

I am very interested in the history of our villages, and how they have changed over time. With the help of Andy Horsfield and the Heritage Silkstone group I have been able to piece together some of the history of ‘Church Terrace’ High Street Silkstone, which is where I live.

The set of 5 Terrace houses 2 to 10 High Street Silkstone, are referred to in the book ‘Our Isabel’ (Isabel Hughes 1996 – courtesy of Heritage Silkstone). Isabel writes:

*‘Church Terrace was and still is an imposing row of five houses built in big blocks of grey Yorkshire stone, standing almost reverently between the church and the vicarage. To live here was certainly one up in those days.... In the front, facing the road each house has a small patch of garden, with a path leading up to the front door. Never any sign of life at the front, the net curtains always drawn and presenting a superior face to the rest of Silkstone’*



1930's (courtesy of Andy Horsfield)

The 5 Mining houses belonged to Mrs Fullerton, the lady from the big house, Noblethorpe Hall Silkstone, her father, Mr Clarke, was a wealthy land owner, owning most of the coalmines and other properties in the area. Mrs Fullerton was a keen Church goer and wanted ‘good Church going people’ to live in these set of houses, and so chose who should live in them.

Isabel writes:

*‘The backyard was where it all happened, the gossiping, the back chat, the arguments, the games, the bonfire, the falling out, the comradeship, the courtship, the laughing and the crying...’*



1930-40's courtesy of Andy Horsfield)

I know that number 2 ‘Church Terrace’ used to be Silkstone Post Office in and around the 1920's, and number 4 ‘Church Terrace’ used to be the Telephone Exchange (with the large telegraph pole behind it). Isabel Hughes's Aunty Mildred and Uncle Fred lived at number 2 ‘Church Terrace’ and they ran the Post Office from their front room – they had a telephone which would receive and send telegrams, sold stamps, postal orders, weighed

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parcels – ‘sealing them with red hot wax dripping from the lighted taper’.

Up until the 1930’s at the back of ‘Church Terrace’ there were a row of four coal houses and alongside these where the outside toilets, a block of 3 toilets which the 5 houses shared (tin baths in the Kitchen). Later in 1930’s, with modernisation, Water Closets were installed. Still no electricity.

When I moved into my house in 1998, No 8 High Street, Mrs Padgett lived next door to me at No 6. The Padgett’s have lived in ‘Church Terrace’ since they were built in 1872.



1920’s (courtesy of Andy Horsfield)

As you can see (above) over the ages the 5 houses have outlived the Terrace houses opposite (which were in front of Silkstone Nursery). Opposite our houses there is Martin Croft, on all 3 photos you can see (above) Martin Croft was not even a Road, but literally a Croft, up until the 1940’s.

The 5 houses started out with no front gardens, only a piece of land, and as time has gone by, different owners have

claimed their own front gardens, with big trees (sorry that is mine!)



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If you have any old photos of your home or where your home is now (it may have been a new build over old buildings), and you know the history of it all, please send me an e mail [sue@8highstreet.co.uk](mailto:sue@8highstreet.co.uk)

Andy Horsfield is always looking for old photos of Silkstone with people in them and views, please contact him if you have any you would like to share [andyhorsfield@btinternet.com](mailto:andyhorsfield@btinternet.com)

Thanks

**Sue Williams**  
**Editor**

## **Have you heard of GHIC?**

When we were in the European Union and you had holidays in Europe your UK European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) gave you some benefits regarding emergency health care in Europe. If you still have one of these it will still be valid until the expiry date on the card.

However, once it has expired you will need to apply for a GHIC to replace it.

The **UK Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC)** lets you get state healthcare in Europe at a reduced cost or sometimes for free.

**GHIC and EHIC do not replace travel insurance.**

## **Where you can use your GHIC (and EHIC if it is in date)**

Visiting an EU country

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### **Visiting Switzerland**

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- a stateless person

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### **Visiting Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein**

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You can use a UK passport to get medically necessary healthcare in Norway (for example emergency treatment, or to treat a pre-existing condition).

### **How to apply for your GHIC on the NHS website:**

[Applying for healthcare cover abroad \(GHIC and EHIC\) - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)

It's free to apply for a GHIC. Some websites charge to help you apply - these are unnecessary and you do not need to use them.

You will need to provide your:

- full name
- address
- date of birth
- National Insurance or NHS number (England and Wales)

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***Sue Williams  
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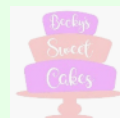
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## **Silkstone Care Group Gets the Job Done - Eventually!!**

(Please note: the current CARE Group are doing a wonderful job and more quickly)

## **Yes, it's time for a MILLENNIUM CELEBRATION !**

In 2000, CARE Leader Colin Bower and the Group decided to plant a Millennium Oak tree in Silkstone and one in Silkstone Common as part of the celebrations, and as a lasting reminder to everyone of the event. You probably have no idea where they are - or do you? Well, one is on top of the grass area at the side of the vehicle entrance to Silkstone Primary School and the other is at the corner of Hall Royd Lane and Beacon Close in Silkstone Common. It was agreed that the trees would be given a while to settle in to ensure the root ball had taken properly before any further action to identify them was taken. (A third oak was planted at the same time at the request of the Vicar in the churchyard of All Saints Parish Church).

Time passed and things moved on. They are now well established trees and finally in January 2014 efforts began by a retired member to recognise their significance by fixing a small plaque next to each one. NINE years later, permission has at last been granted so next time you walk around the villages take a look.

## **So why now?**

It seemed a nice way to say a big "THANK YOU" to every CARE Group member.

Over the years so many people, both young and older, have given their time and effort to help make our villages such pleasant places to live.

CARE began many new projects, all of which have enhanced the villages in so many ways, thanks to the efforts of so many volunteers. To name just a few examples Orchard Wood, Station Gardens and Queen Elizabeth Gardens are major projects but it is the continuing commitment to smaller projects and their maintenance that has transformed the villages. We should also recognise the regular support of the Parish Council and grants from other sources including Woodland Trust, Barnsley Glass Recycling, Northern Rail, Penistone Round Table and many others - even Harrogate Flower Show, who supported the opening up of Jays Wood in Silkstone Common.

***Graham Wells***





*Millenium Oak at junction of  
Beacon Close and Hall Royd Lane*

*Millenium Oak on the bank leading  
to Silkstone Primary School*

*Close-up of the  
commemorative plaque*



## CARE and Orchard Wood

By the time you read this we should have finished work re-instating and improving the footpath and steps in Orchard Wood leading from the Moorend Lane entrance.

We have worked closely with the Parish Council (in the guise of Stewart) to get the gate repaired so that people with push chairs/mobility scooters etc can more easily get into the wood. We have also re-instated the path up to the steps, making it a bit wider as well so that it is easier to use. And finally we have widened and improved the steps. There is now a handrail, the steps are also shallower and there is an extra step which we hope will make them easier to use.

We hope that people with push chairs and mobility issues will at least be able to get into the wood and up to the first bench as a minimum. We know this has also made the wood more accessible to people on bikes as well, It is now easier for them to get through the wood to the TPT at the bottom of Black Horse Drive. We ask them to be courteous to other users and to not damage the steps by cycling up and down too enthusiastically!

Finally we have used some left over road planings to improve the surface of a section of path which becomes incredibly muddy when there is heavy rain.

The road planings came from improvement work on the Hoylandswaine bypass, so they have travelled as short a distance as possible.

Steve and Tom deserve a **mega thank you** for organising and coordinating supplies and getting things in place so the rest of us could shovel, rake and whacker the planings down. We couldn't have done it without their meticulous planning and preparation.



*Here's a photo of the steps as they are now.*

Also Penistone Ward Alliance deserve a thank you - it was a grant from them that enable us to go ahead with this project.

Finally we would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to "Its for hire" in Penistone who have supplied us with materials and equipment at a very good price and who will be turning up to help us on our last day working on the path.

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## CARE WORK Schedule October- December

We have the following Saturdays and Tuesdays planned to do various tasks in each village. Tasks vary according to the weather and what needs doing most on each day.

On most days we meet at 9:30 with the occasional 10 am start we always finish by mid-day, sometimes sooner. If you want to come along you are more than welcome, whether it's for the whole session or just part of it. We bring tools for most sessions.

You can find out more by emailing Susan ([susanwareham@talktalk.net](mailto:susanwareham@talktalk.net)) or you can join our WhatsApp group where details are posted for each event a few days before, again email Susan.

**Linda Marsh**

### October

Sat 7th	Silkstone Common
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	Silkstone Common
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup>	Silkstone
Sat 28th	Silkstone
Tues 31st	Silkstone Common

### November

Sat 4th	Silkstone Common
Sat 11th	Silkstone Common - Jays Wood
Tues 14th	Silkstone
Sat 18th	Silkstone
Tues 28th	Silkstone Common

### December

Sat 2nd	Silkstone
Tues 12th	Silkstone
Sat 16th	Silkstone

## The Methodist Chapel and the Thursday Tea and Coffee Group

Several groups use this but it is in danger of being lost. A Management Group is needed to help us keep it as a community resource. (Page 29)

**A relatively new group is the Thursday morning fortnightly tea and coffee morning.**



Here's a bit about them

*"A lovely relaxed Fortnightly gathering for the community of Silkstone Common and the surrounding area. Scrumptious homemade bakes and hot beverages while catching up with friends. (Dates in October are 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>)"*

From Kay, Robyn and Hannah, as well as the regulars *"Everyone is welcome. It would be great to see some more friendly faces joining us"*

Other groups listed on the Local Organisation pages are the:

- Tuesday group
- Shake Rattle and Roll Music group
- Old Silkstone Band
- Rising Sun Martial Arts
- Good Companions

**Linda Marsh**

## Canon Keith

Our Vicar, Canon Keith, has recently been named as one of the new Deputy Lieutenants of South Yorkshire.

Keith is the Vicar of the Benefice of West Barnsley which are the parish churches of All Saints' and St James the Great Silkstone with Stainborough, St John the Evangelist, Hoylandswaine, St John the Baptist, Dodworth and All Saints', Cawthorne.

The office of the Lord Lieutenant issued this statement in August:

*'New Deputy Lieutenants Appointed Five respected individuals have been named as Deputy Lieutenants of The County of South Yorkshire. The role of a Deputy Lieutenant involves supporting and deputising for His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of South Yorkshire, Prof. Dame Hilary Chapman. Duties may include attending Royal visits to the county, representing the Lieutenancy at ceremonial events such as Remembrance Day and citizenship ceremonies and any other duties that the Lord-Lieutenant may ask to be undertaken on her behalf. Appointment to this position is by the Lord-Lieutenant, subject only to The King not disapproving of the granting of their commission'.*



HM Lord-Lieutenant, Prof Dame Hilary Chapman said:

*'I am delighted to have been able to select such a diverse group of people to become Deputy Lieutenants.*

*These people are already outstanding servants of South Yorkshire. In their different fields they have contributed to making life better for the rest of us and, as Deputy Lieutenants, will continue to do so.'*

Canon Keith says he is thrilled to have been appointed and as a Barnsley boy born and bred he looks forward to serving the town and County of his birth.

**Sue Williams**  
**Editor**

## Autumn 2023

### Some ideas for things to do in Barnsley in October, November and December 2023

We are fortunate to have two theatres in Barnsley, offering a wide range of events. We also have other things going on! There's probably something in this list you'll enjoy

#### October 2023

- 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> October Lamproom Theatre – Sheila's Island – comedy from the writer of Calendar Girls and Kinky Boots
- 3 & 4 October Civic Centre Theatre – The Whispering Jungle – children's show 60 minutes
- 6 & 7 October Civic Centre Theatre – Do I love you? - Comedy
- 8 October Civic Centre Theatre – The Lightbulb Princess – children's 4 +
- 13 October Civic Centre Theatre – Head Set – stand-up comedian
- 14 October Civic Centre Theatre – An Evening and a little bit of a morning with Mark Steel – stand-up comedian
- 14<sup>th</sup> October Lamproom Theatre – Stayin' Alive – Ultimate Bee Gee's Show, dig out your dancing shoes!
- 14 October Barnsley Metrodome – Don't Stop Queen Now: Live at Barnsley Metrodome Arena



- 16<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> October Lamproom Theatre – Oliver – Musical by Lee Semley Theatre Productions
- 19 October Civic Centre Theatre – Jesus, Jane, Mother and Me – Coming of Age story
- 21 October Barnsley Civic – Ben Hart: JADOO – Spell binding magic show



- 22 October Civic Centre Theatre – I spy with my little eye: The Party – children's, and you are invited to the party!
- 22<sup>nd</sup> October Lamproom Theatre – If I could turn back time: The Cher song book – Live music and dancers
- 25 October Civic Centre Theatre – John Robins HOWL – Stand-up Comedian
- 28 October Civic Centre Theatre – The Opera Boys – A night at the Musicals – perfect for musical theatre lovers both young and old
- 30 October Civic Centre Theatre – Velociraptor – Family 3 + years learn how this iconic beast would have actually looked like!
- 31<sup>st</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> November Lamproom Theatre – Ghost Train – Dark comic thriller

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- 2 November Civic Centre Theatre – Dave Spikey – Life in a Northern Town – his journey into Comedy



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- 3 November Civic Centre Theatre – The Splash Test Dummies – children’s Splish-Splashing circus comedy
- 4 November Civic Centre Theatre – The Black Lamps Album Launch – live music
- 8<sup>th</sup> November to 11<sup>th</sup> November Lamproom Theatre – Cheeky Bleeders - Barnsley 1945: One family. One heart. No prisoners!
- 10 November Civic Centre Theatre – Peter Firman – TrickTok – comedy magician
- 11 November Civic Centre Theatre – Fanboy – love-hate letter to pop culture and nostalgia
- 14<sup>th</sup> November to 18<sup>th</sup> November Lamproom Theatre – Fiddler on the Roof – Music theatre with iconic and beloved songs
- 17 November ABBA Bingo Wonderland: Buzz Bingo Barnsley, Pontefract Road, Barnsley 8.30 pm



- 23 November Civic Centre Theatre – The Scummy Mummies – Elle and Helen comedy stand-up, songs and sketches
- 24-25 November the popular Barnsley Bright Nights. Barnsley Bright Nights features the main Christmas lights switch-on

celebration, alongside two nights of free family entertainment



- 29 November Civic Centre Theatre – A Christmas Carol – a ghost story for Christmas

## December 2023

- 2 December to 2 January 2024 – Cinderella - Lamproom Theatre’s spectacular family pantomime
- 9 to 27 December Civic Centre Theatre – Panto Cinderella – brand new interpretation of a Classic tale

Two Cinderella’s in one town!!

- 7 to 10 December, the new Barnsley Christmas Market will open, where families can come and experience festive fun in the heart of the Town Centre
- 9 & 16 December 80’s and 90’s Festive Party Night - Tankersley Manor Hotel, Upper Tankersley, Barnsley

## To book your tickets:

### Lamproom Theatre

Website: [barnsleylamproom.com](http://barnsleylamproom.com)  
01226 200075 box office

### Civic Centre Theatre

Website: [enquiries@barnsleycivic.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@barnsleycivic.co.uk)  
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**BACK IN ACTION EVERY  
WEDNESDAY: THURGOLAND  
COMMUNITY CHOIR  
STRIKES 'A CHORD!'**

Get ready for a bit of news that'll tickle your Yorkshire hearts pink! The Thurgoland Community Choir is ready to roll, and we're calling out to all you fine folk to join the chorus of fun. Rehearsals kick off on September 6th, and we'll be gathering every Wednesday at the Holy Trinity Church on Halifax Road, Thurgoland, from 7.00 to 9.30. Now, let's spill the tea on our plan – we'll start with a proper good cuppa and a good ol' chinwag to catch up with old and new mates.



*Christmas busking*

If you haven't crossed paths with us before, allow me to introduce the lively bunch known as the Thurgoland Community Choir. We're a mix of voices that could make even the most stubborn sheep at the Penistone Show Ground pause and listen. Since 2012, we've been raising our voices high, bringing together folks from the wider Penistone area, North Sheffield, and beyond. Heck, we've

even had singers from as far-flung as Germany, Australia, and Catalonia – talk about an international choir! Like a big, harmonious family reunion, we've gone from humble church beginnings to wowing crowds in grand cathedrals, venues, and chapels. Our music, you see, knows no bounds.

Our musical escapades have been quite the adventure – discovering new horizons and conjuring musical magic. We've had Musical Directors and accompanists who could charm the stripes off a tiger, including our current very own dynamo and diva, Hilary Osborn, a conductor extraordinaire with a passion for community music.

Imagine this – us, touring Tuscany in 2017, serenading in the Basilica Di Santa Maria Assunta and leaving folks absolutely gobsmacked.



*Sing your heart out Tuscany*

And then, in 2019, we teamed up with a 17-piece orchestra to belt out Faure's Requiem and Vivaldi's Gloria in the mighty cathedrals of Sheffield and Wakefield. We even took our harmonies overseas, gracing places like St. Paul's Cathedral

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Mdina in Malta – bringing a touch of South Yorkshire spirit to foreign lands.

And there's more! This spring, we joined forces with other choirs – Stanington Mixed Choir, Vivacity, and the Wandershef Singers Community Choir – for a real-deal shindig during the Classical Sheffield weekend's 10th bash. We shook things up with folk songs arranged by none other than the legendary John Rutter.

Hold onto your flat caps, because here's the cherry on top: we're gearing up for a Sorrento tour from October 29 to November 2, 2024. Sorrento, can you believe it? If that doesn't get your heart racing, I don't know what will.

But let's get one thing straight – the Thurgoland Community Choir isn't just

This year, we're kicking off a smashing initiative that'll warm your heart more than a cuppa on a chilly day. Brace yourselves for the "Outreach - Singing for Health and Companionship Project." Hold your horses though, 'cause we'll share more about that in the next newsletter – and trust us, it's gonna be as thrilling as finding a “tenner” in your coat pocket.

Now, don't go fretting that you need to sound like a nightingale to join us – banish that thought! Auditions? Nope, not here!



*Singing Hats*

All we want is a dash of humour, a love for singing your heart out, and the desire to find your voice with a little help from our marvellous MD, accompanist, and fellow members.

Whether you belt it out in the shower, own the karaoke scene, or are a full-blown vocal virtuoso, now's your chance to hop aboard the musical wagon. Singing is better for your well-being than a plate of Yorkshire pudding – well, almost. We'd be chuffed to bits to have you join our ranks.



*Rehearsals*

about gallivanting the globe and singing fancy tunes, even though we've had our fair share of adventures. We're as committed to our local roots as a Yorkshire terrier is to its favourite chew toy.

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And guess what? Your first taster session won't cost you a quid! Yep, you heard right – it's on the house. Just drop us a line via

[thurgolandcommunitychoir@gmail.com](mailto:thurgolandcommunitychoir@gmail.com)

or have a peek at our antics on Facebook. Plus, here's the scoop – we're gearing up to learn and rehearse a bundle of Christmas carols. What's that mean? We're primed for our traditional Christmas concert at Thurgoland Holy Trinity Church and the swanky Cannon Hall Ballroom on December 1st and 16th.

### Good Companions continue into their 62nd year....

Good Companions have had a busy year. Sadly, we have lost some members but thankfully a few new faces have joined our ranks and they have helped to keep things going and contributed to some new initiatives. We have been treated to some interesting and informative guest speakers as well as some wonderful entertainment. Most of our visitors have been local people who have kindly given up their time to showcase their talents or the work they do. Guitarist and Singer, Kevin Kitchen (one of our favourites!) once again welcomed in the New Year with us, and had us all up dancing. We spent an imaginary 'week on t'cut' with a talk by Dave Calverley and an afternoon creating an individual flower arrangement with the guidance and incredible patience of Cawthorne's Sue Wrigley. The gentlemen particularly enjoying and excelling in this.

So there you have it, dear parish pals! If you're up for a cracking good time, a bit of singing, and a whole lot of community spirit, the Thurgoland Community Choir is where it's at. We'll see you on a Wednesday evening – and yes, the kettle will be on!

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Other highlights saw Bridget Milinkovic win the second Silkstone Common Derby at a fun afternoon of 'horse' racing hosted by Martin Bird. The Coronation was celebrated with a cream tea and a Royal quiz as well as a suitably Royal themed raffle. An afternoon of music from The Bus Pass Buskers set us up nicely for the final event of the year, a somewhat rainy- and blustery-day trip to Lytham St Annes in July for members and friends. The Parish Council once again helping us by providing a grant towards the cost of the coach for which we are very grateful.

Our first meeting back after the summer break is at 2pm on Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup> in the rooms at the back of Silkstone Common Methodist Church on Ben Bank Road and then fortnightly from then onwards. Take the plunge and come and join us for some companionship and a good time.

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## Photography at Barnsley U3A

In May, following requests and suggestions from Barnsley U3A members, a new photography group was launched. Bu3a had two experienced members available and willing to become group leaders and offered their skills to start two different, but similar, photography groups which best matched the requirements and expectations of the members. Peter Higginbottom leads the 'Photography and Image Manipulation' group and Brian Crossland leads the 'Photography: Know Your Camera' group. Both groups meet every other week and details can be found at [www.bu3a.org.uk](http://www.bu3a.org.uk)

After spending the summer months getting to understand some of their camera settings by taking photographs of ornaments, toys, moving objects and other common household things and experimenting with a range of camera settings, members now see that moving on from 'full auto' to start taking control of their cameras is quite straight forward, helped by encouragement and many opportunities to discuss what's actually happening.



No matter what technology you use, creating a photograph is generally a 4 stage process:

1. seeing the image you want to make (bearing in mind that our eyes and cameras see differently),
2. capturing the scene on your camera (involving much more than simple 'point and click'),
3. making your captured image look like the one you think you saw (eg - image manipulation),
4. presenting or displaying your final photographic image (as a printed photo or digital screen/TV).

From September, the 'Know Your Camera' group is planning a series of photo-shoots at local venues, building on a recent visit to Monk Bretton Priory, just across the road from the regular meeting place at Priory Campus, Lundwood.



*Monk Bretton Priory*

The intention is to alternate between the photo-shoots (weather permitting) and

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indoor sessions, providing everyone with photographs to share, discuss and consider further development and things to try as they get to know their camera.

**Brian Crossland**

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*Monk Bretton Priory*

The Barnsley & Penistone section of U3A has a lot of interesting groups. Cycling, walking, learning languages, films and many many others. Visit their website [www.bu3a.org.uk](http://www.bu3a.org.uk) for more information

### **Silkstone Common Methodist Church - A community Hub?**

1. Do you think a Community Hub (Village Hall) in Silkstone Common would be of benefit to the village?
2. Did you know that the Methodist Chapel is available for this purpose, and already used by various groups?
3. The change from Church management to Community management requires a village based Management group to be formed.


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## **Parish Council Meeting dates for 2023**

PC meetings are advertised in both village notice boards and on the website. They are held on the first Monday in the month in Silkstone Sports Pavilion.

Dates for the next five months are:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	PC
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	PC
4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	PC

## **Parish Council website and Facebook page**

[www.silkstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.silkstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk)

<https://www.facebook.com/SilkstoneParishCouncil>

If you are a local society or business you can ask to be listed and described on the website with a link to your own website if you have one. You can find all publicly available documents on the website. If you do not have internet access and would like to view anything from our paper files please contact the Parish Clerk. The Parish Clerk is also the contact for the Facebook page

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Dr Alex Burnett:

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If you:

- have a news item for the next issue
- want to update details for your organisation,
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The deadline for the next newsletter is  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023.

Our usual deadlines and distribution dates  
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Deadline for articles	Distribution dates
First week of March	Last week of March
First week of June	Last week of June
First week of September	Last week of September
First week of November	First week of December

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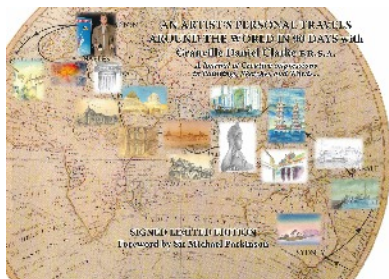
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## Local Organisations

### General

#### **Silkstone Common Good Companions**

Provides companionship, entertainment and recreation for people aged 55+ who live locally. Meets fortnightly on Wednesdays 2-4pm in the Methodist Church Hall. New members are very welcome. Varied programme including speakers, trips and entertainers. Younger helpers urgently required. Annual subscription £20. For more information contact Bev Almond on 07502303470 or email [bjalmond@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bjalmond@hotmail.co.uk)

#### **Silkstone Luncheon Club for the over 60s**

Meets every Monday at 12 o'clock in the The Station Inn, Silkstone Common. New members always welcome. Please call 791670

#### **Stainbrough Rotary are the local Rotary covering the Parish.**

We meet every Thursday at The Fairway Hotel, Dodworth at 7.30 pm. For details contact the Club Secretary , Ian Whittle 01484 3153386 or [stainbroughrotary@gmail.com](mailto:stainbroughrotary@gmail.com)

#### **Neighbourhood Watch**

Janice Wake, Neighbourhood Watch Area Coordinator  
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07540957639

#### **Silkstone Common Methodist Church**

Currently closed for worship. Open for community use.

Contact for Hall bookings Keith Jowett  
01226 790461

### Schools

#### **Silkstone Common Junior & Infant School**

Moorend Lane, Silkstone Common. Educates children 4-11 yrs. The school is interested in developing the use of the school outside normal school hours.

Contact: Mr Simon Tabbner 790471

Visit <http://www.silkstonecommonji.co.uk/>

#### **Silkstone Primary School**

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Contact: Ms Sally Adams 790333

Visit <http://silkstoneprimary.com/>

### History

#### **Roggins Local History Group (Silkstone) & Silkstone Waggonway Restoration Group**

The group exhibits at local history fairs. We can set up small displays and talk to small groups.

Contact: Jim Ritchie 01226-790695

e-mail [ritchietj@aol.com](mailto:ritchietj@aol.com)

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## Local Organisations

### Sports/Activities

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#### Silkstone Common Sports & Recreation Association

Secretary - David O'Connor 07415781796  
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### Music

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10pm

Contact : David O'Connor 07415781796 or  
01226790669

#### Millhouse Green Male Voice Choir.

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#### Silkstone Bell Ringers

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[juliajennings27@gmail.com](mailto:juliajennings27@gmail.com)

## Local Organisations

### Children

#### Silkstone Pre-School Playgroup Ltd

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Email [silkstonepreschoolpg@gmail.com](mailto:silkstonepreschoolpg@gmail.com)

#### Shining Stars Out of School Club

We cater for children aged 4 – 11 years and provide high quality, affordable, reliable and accessible childcare from 7.30am to 9am and from 3.30pm to 6pm during term time.

Contact: email at

[shiningstars@silkstoneprimary.com](mailto:shiningstars@silkstoneprimary.com)

phone on 07591630348

### Childminders

For details of registered childminders please ring Families Information Service on: 0800 034 5340.

#### 29th Barnsley (Silkstone) Scout Group: Huskar Community Rooms

Monday Scouts 19:00 - 20:30  
Aged 10 - 14

Tuesday Cubs 18:30 - 19:30  
Aged 8 - 10

Wednesday Beavers 18:30 - 19:30  
Aged 6 - 8

All queries and membership to the Group Scout Leader

[rob.flewitt@barnsleyscouts.org.uk](mailto:rob.flewitt@barnsleyscouts.org.uk)

#### Shake Rattle and Roll Children's Music Group

From babies up to pre-school children are welcome at our friendly group. Please also bring along mum, dad or carer to join in an hour of engaging musical fun, action and rhyme. We meet every Friday during term time at 10am in Silkstone Common Methodist Church. Refreshments for adults and children are provided. Attend just when you like. No booking or commitments.



Find out more

<http://www.facebook.com/srrmusicgroup>  
[srrmusicgroup@gmail.com](mailto:srrmusicgroup@gmail.com)

Tracy 07905 421015

**Are your group's details correct?**

If not please let the Editor know.

[sue@8highstreet.co.uk](mailto:sue@8highstreet.co.uk)

## **Local Organisations**

### **Environment/Local interest**

#### **Silkstone CARE Group**

Caring for and improving our natural environment by planting hedges, trees, shrubs and bulbs, clearing paths, litter-picking plus other activities. Tools available on free loan for environmental projects.

Contact:

Susan Dunwell 07973 310925  
[susanwareham@talktalk.net](mailto:susanwareham@talktalk.net)

Karen Gorman 07788 185502  
[kgorman963@btinternet.com](mailto:kgorman963@btinternet.com)

Linda Marsh 07792321829  
[lmxx.13@gmail.com](mailto:lmxx.13@gmail.com)

#### **Tuesday Group**

We meet in the Methodist Chapel, Ben Bank Road, Silkstone Common, every week on Tuesday 2 o'clock - 4.

Some of us enjoy doing crafts, such as sewing & knitting but others love to come for a cuppa, cake and a good old natter.

Everyone is welcome.

Please just turn up or you can contact Mary (07942894029) for more information.

### **Facebook**

#### **Silkstone/Silkstone Common Village News and Community Group**

Facebook community group for locals  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/860075201163623>

### **Churches - The Benefice of West Barnsley**

**All Saints' and St James the Greater Silkstone with Stainborough** 9.15 am 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month. Messy Church 4th Sunday in the month 4-6pm.

**St John the Evangelist, Hoylandswaine** 11.00am 2nd and 4th Sundays

**St John the Baptist, Dodworth** 9.15am 1st and 3rd Sundays. Holy Communion Service every Thursday 9.30am followed by a Coffee Morning

**All Saints' Cawthorne** 11.00am 1st and 3rd Sunday. Last Tuesday in the month 10.00am Holy Communion service

Benefice website:

<http://www.beneficewestbarnsley.org.uk>

Vicar: Rev Canon Keith Farrow DL  
The Vicarage, 12 High Street  
Silkstone, S75 4JN

Telephone: 01226 492294

For enquiries about Weddings, funerals and general enquiries please contact the Benefice Administrator:

Mrs Loraine Wills  
Email [beneficewestbarnsley@hotmail.com](mailto:beneficewestbarnsley@hotmail.com)

Mob: 07973 381131

For Baptism enquiries contact the Benefice Baptism Coordinator:

Mrs Lynn Wilkinson  
Email: [lynnw1308@googlemail.com](mailto:lynnw1308@googlemail.com)  
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